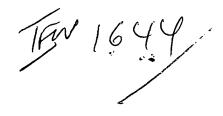


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Sir:

Transmitted herewith in the above-entitled patent application, please find an Amendment in response to the Official Action of September 29, 2005, together with a Petition for an extension of time of two months.

A check in the amount of \$450.00 is enclosed to cover the extension fee.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-1265.

Yours very truly,

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